

**DOUGLAS COUNTY, NEBRASKA LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE (LEPC)
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This organization shall be known as the Douglas County Local Emergency Planning Committee, Hereafter referred to as the Douglas County Emergency Planning Committee (DEPC).

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The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) standard for disaster and contingency planning is the Integrated Emergency Management System (IEMS). This concept emphasizes mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery as its four cornerstone foundation.

The responsibilities and objectives of the DEPC include, but are not limited to:

- Comply with the guidelines established by Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (SARA).
- Maintain a comprehensive hazard analysis of Douglas County.
- Develop an integrated, all hazards emergency management partnership between business, industry, and local governments.
- Complete projects as assigned by elected officials within Douglas County and the Nebraska State Emergency Response Commission (SERC).
- Develop and establish the incident command/incident management system (ICS/IMS) for business.
- Update and review the County emergency operations plan, including the hazardous materials annex in accordance with Section 303 of SARA, Title III.
- Receive reports and other information, e.g., Tier 11 reports and facility inventories, from covered facilities and other agencies.
- Comply with Community Right to Know activities, including public access to information in accordance with Section 324 of SARA, Title 111.
- Review the plan annually, and make recommendations to the appropriate people, agencies and organizations regarding procedures and resources needed to affect its implementation.